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1. The Parow Sea Police School still quartered about 500 men of the Sea Police Main Administration (HVS) and a sea police unit. There were recurrent rumors that the Sea Police Main Administration would be transferred to Rostock.¹ The family of Vice-Admiral Waldemar Verner [redacted] was said to remain in Stralsund. 25X1
2. On 12 and 20 December 1953, no routine service was observed in Parow. At about 6 p.m. on 20 December 1953, a lighting test was carried out during which the entire installation was brightly illuminated. Busses [redacted] were seen on the premises. On 30 November 1953, 54 sea policemen, probably [redacted] new crop, arrived in Stralsund and were transferred to the Parow Sea Police School to receive training. 25X1
3. The Kaserne Schwedenschanze (barracks) quartered between 500 and 600 officer candidates in mid-December 1953. On 28 November 1953, 66 sea policemen arrived at Schwedenschanze, allegedly coming from Kuehlungsborn. They had yellow noncom braids and seemed picked personnel. A craftsman said that, after completing basic training in Kuehlungsborn, these 66 sea policemen who allegedly were officer candidates were transferred to Schwedenschanze to receive nautical training.
4. The former Hotel zur Post in Stralsund still served as quarters for sea police officers and was guarded by a sea police sentry armed with a carbine and posted at the hotel entrance. [redacted] the officers belonged to the Sea Police Main Administration. No family members were seen in the installation. 25X1
1. Comment. The temporary transfer to Rostock of the sea police staff of the Sea Police Main Administration was originally planned for early November 1953. 25X1

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